

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Service – Agricultural Marketing Department – Departmental Proceedings against Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, East Godavari District, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni under Rule 200 of Andhra Pradesh (Agricultural Produce & Livestock) Market Rules, 1969 – Articles of Charges framed – Orders - Issued.

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AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (VIG-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 790

Dated: 11-11-2020.
Read:-

From the Special Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P.,
Guntur, Letter No.D.S.(1) 864398/2017, dt:05.08.2019 & dt:22.10.2019.

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ORDER:-

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 200 of Andhra Pradesh (Agricultural Produce & Livestock) Market Rules, 1969.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Article of Charge (Annexure – I & II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom the article of charge is proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure –III & IV).

3. Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni is directed to submit within 15 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defense.

4. Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni is further informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges that are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny the article of charge.

5. Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in Para 3 above, further action will be proceeded based on the material available.

6. The attention of Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services(Conduct) Rules, 1964 under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government.

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If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri A.V.Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni is aware of such representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the charge memo may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, AMC, Kothapeta,
Presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, AMC,
Tuni (through the C&DoAM, A.P., Guntur).

The Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur.
SF/SC.

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ANNEXURE.I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI A.V. SRIDHAR, THE THEN ASSISTANT MARKETING SUPERVISOR, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, KOTHAPETA, PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSISTANT MARKETING SUPERVISOR, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, TUNI:

ARTICLE OF CHARGE -I

“That Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni has willfully committed to misappropriation of Agricultural Market Committee funds with a tune of Rs.3,27,822/- while working at Ravulapalem check post as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, duly non remittance of Market Fee collections to Agricultural Market Committee funds duly violating the circular instructions DS(2) 584/2012, dt:01.02.2012.

By his above mentioned acts he has failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of public servant by violating rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

ARTICLE OF CHARGE -II

“That Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni has committed high irregularities duly printed the duplicate cash receipt books 200 Nos. and maintained duplicate cash books at check posts with mala fide intensity.

By his above mentioned acts he has failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of public servant by violating rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

ARTICLE OF CHARGE -III

“That Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni has willfully committed the irregularities in making of dates on cash receipts as per their convenience with mala fide intensity and temporarily misappropriated the Agricultural Market Committee funds for his own purpose.

By his above mentioned acts he has failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of public servant by violating rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

ARTICLE OF CHARGE -IV

“That Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni has willfully committed to misappropriation of Agricultural Market Committee funds with criminal intensity to a tune of Rs.13,74,835/- during the period 12.06.2017 to 28.06.2018 while working as In-charge supervisor pertains to Ravulapalem

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branch seat under AMC, Kothapeta regarding traders collections and also misappropriated an amount of Rs.1485/- by the shape of non-remittance of collection of market fee in receipt book No.393 for the year 2017-18 and swallowing the market fee collections without remitting into AMC funds by violating the Sec 14(1) of Andhra Pradesh (Agricultural Produce & Livestock) Markets Act, 1966 and also violated the circular instructions issued in DS(2) 584/2012, dt:01.02.2012.

By his above mentioned acts he has failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of public servant by violating the Section 14(1) of Andhra Pradesh (Agricultural Produce & Livestock) Markets Act, 1966 and Rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

ARTICLE OF CHARGE -V

“That Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor (U/s), Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni have not returned the used cash receipt books Nos.286 (2017-18) and 380,440 (2018-19) to the Market Committee. Huge amount of market fee is misappropriated by him swallowing the collected amount by passing the cash receipts from the said cash receipts books instead of remitting into the M.C.funds.

By his above mentioned acts he has failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of public servant by violating the section 14(1) of Andhra Pradesh (Agricultural Produce & Livestock) Markets Act 1966 and Rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE -II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLES OF FRAMED AGAINST SRI A.V. SRIDHAR, THE THEN ASSISTANT MARKETING SUPERVISOR, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, KOTHAPETA, PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSISTANT MARKETING SUPERVISOR, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, TUNI ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

Imputations of Charge I, II & III:-

Basing on report of Vigilance Department vide Report No.13 (C.No.137/V&E/R1/2019), dt:28.02.2019, Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni, while working at Ravulapalem check posts as Assistant Marketing Supervisor has not remitted the Market Fee receipt amount of Rs.3,27,822/- with mala fide intensity and committed to misappropriation of Market Committee funds.

And Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni, while working at

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Ravulapalem check posts as Assistant Marketing Supervisor has committed high irregularities duly printed the duplicate receipt books and non maintained the record for receipt books printed/ used/ returned and maintained duplicate cash books at the check posts.

In this connection it is inform that, the Commissioner and Director of Marketing has issued certain circular instructions on remittances of Market Fee and misappropriation of funds vide circular DS(2) 584/2012, dt:01.02.2012.

By the above mentioned acts, he has violating the circular instructions issued by Commissioner and Director of Marketing supra and also failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of the public servant and contravened Rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 and rendered himself liable for disciplinary action. Hence the Charge.

Imputations of Charge IV & V:-

Basing on report of Sel. Gr. Secy., AMC, Kothapeta, dt:10.09.2019, Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor (U/s), Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni, has committed grave irregularities while working at Ravulapalem check posts as Assistant Marketing Supervisor during the period 12.06.2017 to 28.06.2018 in not remitted the market fee receipt amount of Rs.13,74,835/- with mala fide intensity and committed to misappropriation of market committee funds.

And Sri A.V. Sridhar, the then Assistant Marketing Supervisor, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta, presently working as Assistant Marketing Supervisor (U/s), Agricultural Market Committee, Tuni while working at Ravulapalem check posts during the period 12.06.2017 to 28.06.2018 as Assistant Marketing Supervisor, he has committed high irregularities in the shape of non remitting the (3) receipt books which is received from AMC, Kothapeta vide receipt book Nos.286 (2017-18) and 380, 440 (2018-19). And during the internal verification some of the amount have collected on particular receipt books and same were misappropriated for his own purpose without remitting into the AMC funds.

In this connection it is inform that, the Commissioner and Director of Marketing has issued certain circular instructions on remittances of Market Fee and misappropriation of funds vide circular DS(2) 584/2012, dt:01.02.2012.

By the above mentioned acts, he has violating the circular instructions issued by Commissioner and Director of Marketing supra and also failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of the public servant and contravened the section 14(1) of Andhra Pradesh (Agricultural Produce & Livestock) Markets Act 1966 and Rule 3 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 and rendered himself liable for disciplinary action. Hence the Charge.

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ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI A.V. SRIDHAR, THE THEN ASSISTANT MARKETING SUPERVISOR, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, KOTHAPETA, PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSISTANT MARKETING SUPERVISOR, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, TUNI .

1. Vigilance report. No.23 (C.No.137/V&E/R1/2019), dt:28.02.2019 of DG(V&E) Department.
2. Circular DS(2) 584/2012, dt:01.02.2012 of C&DAM.
3. Lr.ROC.No.68/2019, dt:10.09.2019 of Selection Grade Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta.

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ANNEXURE – IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM BY THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI A.V. SRIDHAR, THE THEN ASSISTANT MARKETING SUPERVISOR, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, KOTHAPETA, PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSISTANT MARKETING SUPERVISOR, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, TUNI ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

1. V&E Enquiry officers concerned
2. Joint Director of Marketing, Visakhapatnam.
3. Selection Grade Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Kothapeta.
4. Assistant Director of Marketing, Kakinada.

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